

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. A paragraph has been inserted into the specification between paragraphs [0152] and [0153]. This paragraph appears in Japanese priority document JP2004-302924 (publication no. JP2005-210680) at paragraph [0035]. It describes several of the drawings originally filed in this application. Therefore, it adds does not add new subject matter. Claims 1, 4, and 12 have been amended to correct obvious editorial errors. No new matter has been added to the claims, either.

The Examiner has required restriction among the following species:

- Species I: draws to first embodiment as depicted in Figures 1-4;
- Species II: draws to second embodiment as depicted in Figure 5;
- Species III: draws to third embodiment as depicted in Figure 6;
- Species IV: draws to fourth embodiment as depicted in Figure 7;
- Species V: draws to fifth embodiment as depicted in Figure 9;
- Species VI: draws to sixth embodiment as depicted in Figure 10-12;
- Species VII: draws to seventh embodiment as depicted in Figures 14-16;
- Species VIII: draws to eighth embodiment as depicted in Figures 17-19;
- Species IX: draws to ninth embodiment as depicted in Figures 20-23;
- Species X: draws to tenth embodiment as depicted in Figures 26-27;
- Species XI: draws to eleventh embodiment as depicted in Figures 28-31; and
- Species XII: draws to twelfth embodiment as depicted in Figures 32-36.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect Species I, drawn to the first embodiment as depicted in Figures 1-4 for further prosecution in this application, with traverse. It is respectfully submitted that Claims 1 is generic to Species 1-8; Claim 2 is generic to Species 1, 3 and 6-8; Claim 3 is generic to Species 2 and 5-8; Claim 4 is generic to Species 5-8; Claim 5 is generic to Species 4 and 6-8; Claim 7 is generic to Species 6-8; Claim 8 is generic to Species 1-2 and 4-8; Claims 10, 11, 15, and 16 are

generic to Species 9, 10, and 11; and Claim 12 is generic to Species 10 and 11. Therefore, all of these species and claims should be grouped together.

A table indicating which claims of the present application correspond to each Species is presented below.

SPECIES	CLAIMS
1	1,2,8
2	1,3,8
3	1,2,9
4	1,5,6,8,9
5	1,3,4,8
6	1,2,3,4,5,7,8
7	1,2,3,4,5,7,8
8	1,2,3,4,5,7,8
9	10,11,15,16
10	10,11,12,15,16
11	10-16
12	18-22

It is believed that the pending claims are free of any grounds for rejection. Early passage to allowance is earnestly solicited.

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